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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- 2. An executed Power of Attorney from Assignee; and
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